## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Group Art Unit: 2132

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For: METHOD FOR ENCRYPTING INFORMATION AND

DEVICE FOR REALIZATION OF THE METHOD

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a five month extension in which to submit an Appeal Brief under § 41.37. A Notice of Appeal was filed on September 29, 2006, thereby extending the time period within which to respond to April 30, 2007.

A Continuation Application claiming priority to the above-referenced application will be filed on April 30, 2007. Applicants submit this petition in order to maintain the requirement for co-pendency in filing continuing applications.

Please charge \$1,080.00 for a five month extension of time fee to our Deposit Account No. 02-3978. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment as a result of the filing of this paper to our Deposit Account No. 02-3978.

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